

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Judith K. Dotson on  
her selection as the 1995 Distinguished  
Classroom Teacher.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those exemplary teachers who have given unreservedly of themselves to develop this state's most precious natural resource: our children; and

WHEREAS, Judith K. Dotson is one such remarkable person, a voice of integrity in education; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Dotson has recently been selected the 1995 Distinguished Classroom Teacher by the Memphis Education Association, an honor most befitting her meritorious service to education and her devotion to the children she teaches; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Dotson received her bachelor's degree from LeMoyne-Owen College and a master's degree from the University of Memphis and has completed coursework for certification in administration and supervision from Trevecca Nazarene College; and

WHEREAS, this outstanding educator has served her students with enthusiasm, industry and singular acumen as a second grade teacher with twenty-one remarkable years of experience; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Dotson has achieved several other honors including: Career Ladder III Teacher, Music in School Award, Mentor - Student Teachers - Memphis State University, Rotary Award for Teacher Excellence-1990, Thanks to Teachers Award, 1993, and National Drug Free School Recognition Award, 1992-93; and

WHEREAS, her involvement in professional, civic and social activities include, Memphis Education Association, Tennessee Education Association, National Education Association, Co-

Writer - Family Life Curriculum, Co-Writer - World Geography Curriculum, Presenter - Inservice Workshops, Coordinator - Arts in the Schools, Primary Coordinator - Science Fair, Adopt-A-School Coordinator, Chapter I Tutorial Program - After School, Spelling Bee Judge/Caller, March of Dimes and United Way Representative, Grade Chairperson, Co-Chairman - SACS Self-Study, Coordinator - Christian Education, "On the Right Track" Sponsor, Drug Free Schools Contact Person, Urban Initiative Team Member, Evans Junior PRIDE Sponsor and Organizer and Just Say No Contact Person; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Dotson evinces a strong faith in the Lord through her active membership at Greater Imani Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, an extremely patient and giving person, Mrs. Dotson motivates her students to reach their full potential, perhaps the greatest of all teaching gifts; she continuously provides new and exciting methodologies to introduce new lessons; and

WHEREAS, Judith K. Dotson is a never-ending source of inspiration to those who know and cherish her and is tremendously admired by students and fellow teachers alike; and

WHEREAS, highly regarded as a professional and friend, she is the perfect example of a person totally committed to quality education and the highest ideals of public service, and should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby congratulate and commend Judith K. Dotson on being the recipient of the 1995 Distinguished Classroom Teacher Award and wish her continued success in future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.